UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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No. 02-30326

D.C. No. CR-02-00011-SEH District of Montana, Great Falls

ORDER

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

ALFRED ARNOLD AMELINE.

Defendant - Appellant.

Before: WARDLAW, GOULD, and PAEZ, Circuit Judges.

The court requests the Federal Defenders of Montana, Inc., in association with other Federal Public Defenders within the Ninth Circuit, to file an amicus brief on behalf of Appellant Alfred Ameline in response to the Petition for Rehearing En Banc and the Motion to Defer Disposition of All Pending Direct Criminal Appeals Presenting *Booker* Claims filed by the government on February 17, 2005. The amicus brief shall be filed on or before March 2, 2005 and shall not exceed twenty pages. The government may reply to the amicus brief no later than March 4, 2005. The government's reply brief shall not exceed ten pages.